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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further to the concurrent filing of the U.S. national stage of PCT/IL99/00510, kindly amend the application as follows prior to examination:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly add the following section, on page 1, immediately after the title:

--RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a US national application of PCT Application No. PCT/IL99/00510, filed on September 22, 1999.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 25, 27, 58 and 59, without prejudice. Kindly amend claims 4, 5, 10, 14-16, 21, 23, 24, 26, 28-31, 36, 37, 42, 46-48, 53, 55-57 and 60 in accordance with the following clean claims.

4. (Amended) A printing method according to claim 1 wherein the coating is UV cured.

5. (Amended) A printing method according to claim 1 wherein the coating comprises at least 30% silica.

10. (Amended) A printing method according to claim 1 wherein the silica has a size of between 5 and 50 nanometers.